IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (PIL) NO. 137 OF 2006

Ramesh V. Desai ...Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and others ...Respondents

Mr. Rahul Rao with Mr. C. Vijay Pandey, instructed by Mr. Vijendra Jabra for the petitioner.

Mr. V.M. Phal, Assistant Government Pleader, for respondent Nos.1 and 2.

Ms. Deepa Chavan, instructed by M/s. Little & Co., for respondent No.3.

CORAM: **H.L. GOKHALE, Ag. C.J.,** & **V.M. KANADE, J.**

DATE: **JANUARY 18, 2007**.

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Heard Mr. Rao in support of the petition. Mr. Phal, Assistant Government Pleader appears for respondent Nos.1 and 2 and Mrs. Deepa Chavan appears for respondent No.3.

2. The petitioner is the father of a student who will be giving the Xth Standard examination in March, 2007. As far as the Academic Year 2006-2007 is concerned, the paper on Environmental Studies has

been introduced as directed by the Apex Court. The Respondent No.3-Board has accordingly changed the marking pattern. The Social Science and Social Studies were papers which earlier carried 150 marks each. They have been reduced to 100 marks each. As far as the Environmental Science is concerned, it is a paper for which at the School level examination will be taken for 100 marks but grades will be given and those grades will be reflected in the ultimate mark-sheet to be given by the Board. This has been made clear to the petitioner by the Board's letter dated 22nd August, 2006. The petitioner was not satisfied with the clarification issued by the Board and, therefore, this petition has been filed. We do not think that there is any confusion whatsoever. The Board has explained the position way back in August, 2006. No need to interfere. Petition is dismissed.

ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

V.M. KANADE, J.